

Marat Gramov: WE ALWAYS DEMAND COMPLETE ADHERENCE TO THE OLYMPIC CHARTER



The Friendship-84 international competitions which were held in Moscow and Tallinn and in which athletes from 50 countries participated, have been a success and were up to a high sporting standard, press were told in Moscow by Marat Gramov, Chairman of the USSR Sports Committee and Chairman of the National Olympic Committee of the USSR. He headed the Organizing Committee of the competitions.

Gramov said that the Friendship-84 competitions had been sponsored by the sports organizations of the socialist countries in order to give a chance of performance to the athletes who persistently prepared for the Los Angeles Olympics for four years. The competitions strictly observed the Olympic ideals and were not at all opposed to the Olympic Games. The tournaments in the socialist countries, including the USSR, were noted for their atmosphere of cordiality when all participants without exception were given equal conditions for performance. This spirit, as well as honest competition, were the reasons for the high level of performance.

For example, the shooting competitions in Moscow showed, in six of nine varieties, results that were better than the ones produced at Los Angeles; in Prague the discus throwing for women showed the first six results as exceeding the best Los Angeles throw. More examples could be cited.

WINNERS OF GAMES IN HAVANA

In Cuba, contests in three events which formed part of the Friendship-84 tournaments brought unrivaled success for the Cubans among whom were the winners of Olympic Games and world champions.

It has already been reported that the water polo games have ended with a victory for the USSR national team who are winners of the 1980 Olympics, as well as world and European champions.

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The Friendship-84 games have been won by the ex world champions—the Cuban women's team, and by the Soviet players who won the 1980 Olympics as well as European and world titles.

Among the Friendship-84 winners is also the GDR boxer Tor-

sten Schmidt, and the prize winners include boxers, water polo players and volleyball players from Bulgaria, Hungary, Venezuela, the People's Democratic Republic of Korea, Mongolia, Poland, and Czechoslovakia.

Speaking about the performance of the Friendship-84 athletes, Gramov stressed that, as a result of the provocative actions of the US administration, the world had been deprived of the opportunity to watch the world's strongest athletes performing at the Olympics. The atmosphere of the Games in Los Angeles confirmed the correctness of the decision that was taken by the NOC of the USSR.

Answering MNP about the state of the relations between the NOC of the USSR and the IOC, Gramov replied the following:

I think the relations between the NOC of the USSR and the IOC are normal. The only thing which we have always been demanding of the IOC is complete observance of the Olympic Charter, of the rules and traditions of the Olympic movement.

Gramov also said that late in September there will be held a seminar in the USSR as part of the "Olympic Solidarity" programme sponsored by the IOC.



MOMENTS OF SUSPENSE...



Judo: winning in 16 seconds

Five gold, two silver and one bronze medals have been won by the Soviet judo wrestlers at the Friendship-84 games.

Khabib Bikitashov of the USSR was excellent in the open weight category. His final match set the shortest of the tournament when he defeated Dangai Pulaif of the GDR in a complete win after 16 seconds.

Unofficial count puts the

USSR first followed by Japan.

keeper Myskin, defenders Kasatkin, Bilyaltdinov and Pervukhin. There are also the forward Irios Nekarov-Larionov-Krulov, Tymenev-Shepelev-Kozhevnikov and Skvorcov-Kovin-Varnakov.

In preparation for the Canada Cup the USSR team played a demonstration match against their Canadian counterpart in Montreal and won 3-1.

More than 14,000 Canadian hockey fans rewarded the two teams with a storm of applause for playing an interesting game.

The way Myskin, Tretyak's constant stand-by, kept the posts, dignifiedly appeared to hockey experts: he repulsed almost thirty powerful attacks.

According to the procedures in the Canada competition, six best national teams will hold a one-round tournament to be followed by semifinals and finals. To take the Cup a team will have to win two games out of three in the finals.

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an electronic timing device with high precision).

Tatyana Kazankina, who was

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three prizes at Olympic Games

—in 1976 at the distances of

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Geneva. The head of the Soviet delegation to the 1984 Conference on Disarmament V. Israelyan has noted that blocking by the US administration of virtually all channels for negotiations on issues of disarmament and arms reduction has considerably increased the role of the conference. Regrettably, its results in 1984 have not been a source of satisfaction. Negotiations on a number of most important issues continue to mark time, while they have been even thrown back on some other issues. The Soviet delegation has more than once pointed to the causes of this negotiating body. The main reason is lack of political will on the part of the USA and its allies.

M. al-Gaddafi: we are prepared to rebuff U.S. encroachments

Tripoli. Addressing a military parade dedicated to the 15th anniversary of the Revolution, the leader of the Libyan Revolution, Muammar al-Gaddafi, pointed out that the United States which had chosen terrorism as its official policy, intended underfoot the legitimate rights of other peoples by trying to establish its military and political diktat everywhere. The aggressive policy pursued by the United States presents a serious threat to peace and universal security, he stressed.

CLEAR SKIES FOR OUR PLANET!

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Britain. A mass demonstration by British peace activists has been held outside the American Air Force base near Alconbury. They resolutely demanded an immediate withdrawal of American cruise missiles from Britain and indignantly condemned dangerous plans of the Pentagon and NATO aimed at converting Britain into a site for deploying first-strike nuclear weapons. The demonstrators expressed their complete

solidarity with the activists of the campaign for nuclear disarmament arrested a few days ago.

West Germany. "We are saying 'No' to fascism and war", "Do not forget the lessons of the past", and "Memory of the millions of World War II victims makes us do all we can in the name of peace on Earth" were some of the slogans under which a mass demonstration was staged in the West German town of Struckenbrock, near Bielefeld.

The committee's meetings were an evidence of the determination of the non-aligned

countries, the initiators of the conference, to finish its preparation in the shortest possible time.

The desire of the non-aligned countries to focus the attention of the coming forum on the elaborating practical measures to limit military activity in the Indian Ocean and turning it into a zone of peace, found wide acclaim in the committee. This initiative was completely supported by the delegations of the USSR and other countries of the socialist community.

leaders. But the report received no attention. This is easy to explain. Reagan owes Donovan a personal debt. During the 1980 election campaign Donovan set up a "Reagan for President" committee in the state of New Jersey. He used his connections to collect and hand over to the Republican election fund \$60,000 dollars.

So the vicious circle: criminal gangster syndicates, the CIA, the Reagan administration.

Official Islamabad has certain difficulties, of course, in securing a "complete freedom of action". But, by explaining that their complicity with narcotics dealers is motivated only by the fact that the latter's defense comes from the West, the Pakistani authorities are obviously playing it safe. Who would believe that certain Pakistani circles, given the situation as it is, are themselves not members of the underground syndicates. Pakistan now needs money badly, no matter from which source. The policy of the arms race has resulted in catastrophic growth of inflation in that country, low living standards, and in growing dissatisfaction of the popular masses with the regime's home and foreign policy. The over 3,000 million dollars which Washington handed over to Islamabad as remuneration for its obedience offered no solution to the problem. Involuntarily, it has to be a party to the criminal heroin dealing operations.

Where do they put the dividends earned from health and lives of many Americans? Complicating the huge CIA budget, they are used to finance secret terrorist acts in Asia, for example, CIA operations in Afghanistan. According to the "Time" magazine, the CIA spends as much as 100 million dollars annually on Afghan reactionary henchmen and their allies.

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bosses. The trade in narcotic drugs brings huge profits. In Pakistan they are counted in hundred thousands of dollars. In the US, for example, CIA operations in the "white death". Several major dealers in narcotic drugs arrested by the FBI had to be freed because they turned out to be CIA agents or informers, writes the Italian magazine, "Panorama". The roots of this phenomenon have

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As Zia ul-Haq admitted, Pakistan is one of the leading countries so far as the volume of secret heroin deliveries to the West is concerned. But, so the general thinks, attempts by the Pakistani administration to root out the trade in heroin will remain fruitless unless the interested parties provided Islamabad with "a complete freedom of action".

Who are the interested parties?

The US Consul-General in Karachi, R. Post, complained that 70 per cent of the heroin produced in the north-western provinces of Pakistan go to the USA. But who are the importers and distributors of the merchandise in the USA? Not only the mafia, the professional dealers in the "white death". Several major dealers in narcotic drugs arrested by the FBI had to be freed because they turned out to be CIA agents or informers, writes the Italian magazine, "Panorama". The roots of this phenomenon have

gone much deeper — to the federal apparatus, to be exact, to the US administration. This is evidenced by reports in American press which confirm close links of prominent political figures with the mafia. The "Wall Street Journal" newspaper reports that Senator Paul Laxalt, Chairman of the Republican National Committee, is Reagan's closest friend and most trusted adviser. It is to the president that he owes his post. However, Laxalt owes his political career and seat in the Senate to the mafia. His financial basis and career having been built by the mafia, the senator has always zealously defended the latter's interests.

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bosses. The "Chicago Tribune" writes about the "shelter" which has swept West Germany. In such major cities as Berlin, Hamburg and Munich, there remainings from World War II have been repaired and modernized. In Hamburg, for example, 22 shelters have been equipped for protection from radioactive and half a thousand million dollars have been spent to convert a railway station into a shelter.

The ring of the "white death" dealers is not restricted to the underground gangster syndicates and the Central Intelligence Agency of the USA alone. The

respective documents

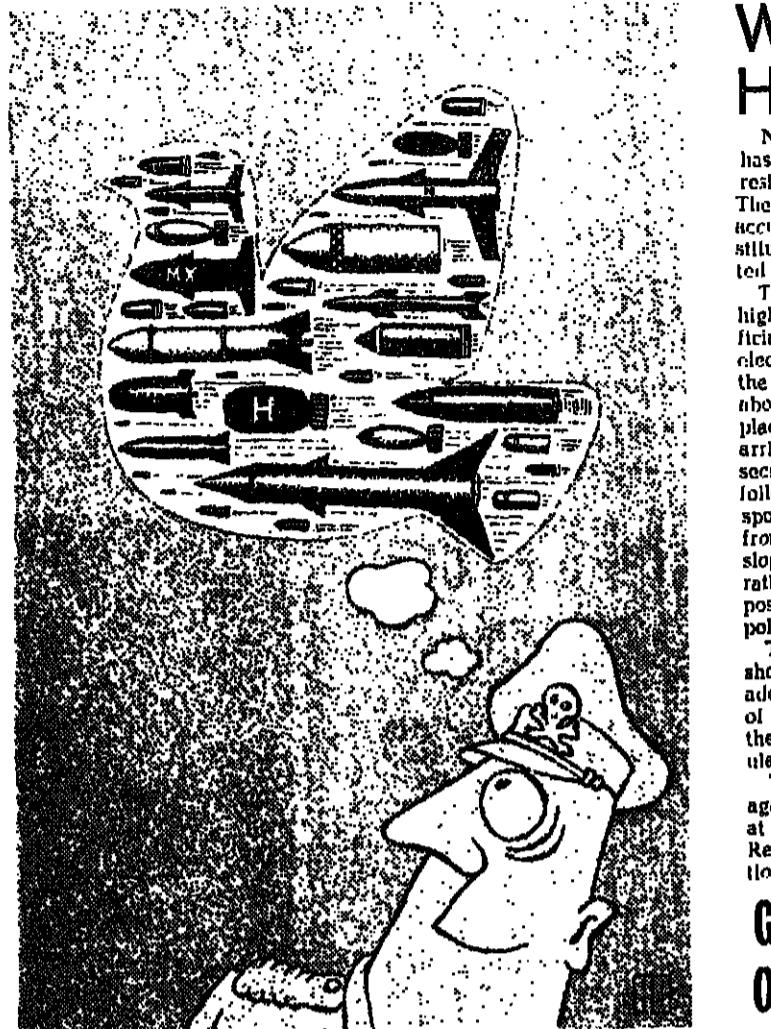
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Dove of peace, Pentagon-style.

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White House sued

New York. The White House has been sued by a group of residents in Cincinnati, Ohio. The Reagan administration is accused of flouting the US Constitution in documents related to a local district court.

The case, in which the highly placed White House officials and "Reagan-Bush" election campaign members as the defendants, was brought by an incident that took place in August 21. Before the arrival of Reagan to Cincinnati, secret service and FBI agents followed the election campaign's instructions and told the demonstrators all the slogans criticizing the administration and forced on them election posters hailing Reagan and his policies.

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Round the Soviet Union

ICE RECONNAISSANCE HYDROLOGISTS HAVE HANDED OVER TO EXPERTS FROM THE ARCTIC AND ANTARCTIC RESEARCH INSTITUTE THE MAPS OF ICE CONDITIONS IN THE EASTERN SECTOR OF THE ARCTIC, WHERE THE PEAK OF SEA CARAVANES TO THE NORTHERN PORTS OF CHUKOTKA AND YAKUTIA IS SETTING IN. The expedition team has completed strategic flights all over the Polar seas from the Chelyuskin Bay to the Bering Strait. This event coincided with the birthday of the Soviet ice reconnaissance. Originating 60 years ago, it has become today part and parcel of scientific studies of the Arctic and practical navigation on the Northern Sea Route.

IT WOULD SEEM NO UNNAMED CORNER HAS BEEN LEFT ON THE EARTH. BUT IT TURNED OUT THE SCHMIDT AND THE KOMSOMOLETS ISLANDS IN THE KARA SEA WERE WASHED BY AN UNKNOWN STRAIGHT. The USSR Academy of Sciences and the chief administration of survey and cartography have decided to fill the gap. Henceforward the waters between these two islands will be named the Bolobrov Straight in honour of a major Soviet hydrographer.

ANOTHER TEN THOUSAND HECTARES HAVE BEEN ADDED TO THE FOREST RESERVES IN THE GOMEL REGION IN BIELORUSSIA — the banks of the Pripyat River in the Narovlyansk District with its more than one hundred medicinal herbs.

THE HERRING POPULATION IN THE SEA OF OKHOTSK HAS GROWN CONSIDERABLY. This is the opinion of the ichthyologists of the Pacific Research Institute of Fisheries and Oceanography. They have studied dozens of thousands of square metres in the north-western section of the sea and plotted locations of herring schools that have swum to bays and gulfs for spawning. The collected data show that the once dwindling herring population has increased again. The fishermen have been provided with high-precision forecast of the fishing situation in the sea.

FROM the SOVIET PRESS

FROM SIBERIA TO CENTRAL ASIA

The USSR State Planning Committee has charged the country's Ministry of Land Improvement and Water Conservation with the task of designing the main bed of Sibaral — a unique man-made 2,350 km long river linking the Ob and the Irtysh rivers in Siberia with the Amur Sea, reports the newspaper SOVIETSKAYA ROSSIYA.

The idea to transfer a part of the flow of Siberian rivers to Central Asia, where the shortage of water for irrigation is mounting, with each passing year, sprang up long ago. Such a great project called for exhaustive substantiation, thorough and many-sided study of the problems connected with it. For two years a special commission of the USSR State Planning Committee went through the likely versions of water transportation and made a feasibility study and cost analysis of the most economical and effective version.

The 27.2 cu km of water to be annually transferred to Central Asia which produces the bulk of cotton grown in the USSR (approximately 8.5 million tonnes a year) will make it possible to put into crop rotation vast, hitherto unused, potential land resources as well as deposits of the most precious minerals such as coal, oil, aluminium, iron ore, natural gas and other materials for the production of cement.

The construction of Sibaral will simultaneously help solve the problem of preserving the unique inland sea which is second only to Baikal as to the purity of its water.

The construction of the canal's main bed will be ready in 1986. Calculations show that thousands of millions of cu m of earth are to be moved and millions of cu m of concrete and reinforced concrete poured in the bed.

A HARVESTER FOR ALL CROPS

Here we introduce new combine harvesters, the Don-1500 and Don-1200, which will soon be seen in Kazakhstan and the Non-Black Soil Zone, Kuban and Siberia. From 1980 the Rosstselmash harvester makers in Rostov-on-Don (southern USSR) will start producing 75 thousand Dons every year. Pictured are Dons prototypes working on one of the country's fields.

Dons have several advantages over similar foreign-made machines (including those produced by the US firm John Deere). Their performance, grain losses, threshing quality and working conditions for the operator are much better than those offered by foreign harvesters.

The new harvester has one more advantage: thanks to the availability of various optimal implements it can be used not only for harvesting wheat and barley, but other crops, as well. It is very suitable for harvesting corn, sunflower, soya and sorghum, for instance.

NEW TRANSCONTINENTAL GAS PIPELINE

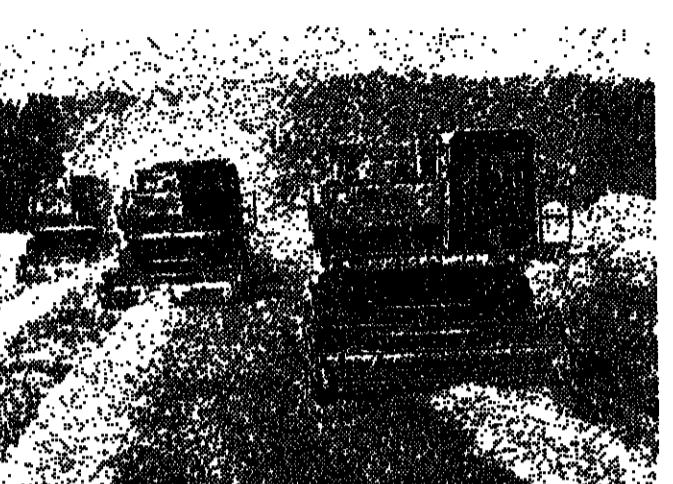
The construction of a new transcontinental gas pipeline, which is to cross over to the European part of the USSR, has started in northern Siberia.

It will stretch from the rich Yamburg field recently discovered near the Arctic coast. Together with Urengol, which

THE SECOND LINE OF KHARKOV METRO

Passenger traffic has opened on the second Metro line in Kharkov, the Ukraine. It has linked the city centre with a large residential area, where nearly 25 per cent of this city's 1.3-million strong population lives.

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The designers are working to make the combine harvester lighter and more reliable by using lighter and more wear-resistant materials.

To facilitate mass production of these sophisticated machines, Rosstselmash intends to rebuild many of its production facilities. A total of 600 automated lines, robot-attended complexes and flexible production lines will be built.

Fish farming in Moldavia

is operated in the same area, the new field will satisfy the country's gas demand for years to come. Five powerful pipelines running from Urengol to the western regions have already been constructed, in addition to the export line to Western Europe.

Since the war ended, the republic has built a major ichthyological preserve, 20 fish breeding and farms. A more intensive development of this industry in the past few years has made it possible to considerably increase the catch without any encroachments on fish natural habitats.

Water reservoirs there become increasingly richer in fish also thanks to an international convention against the pollution of the Black Sea basin.

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THE MOST DIFFICULT AUDIENCES

Children accept the wonderful world of the theatre avidly and trustfully in the same way as they accept the surrounding world. It may seem that young audiences must present fewer, if any, problems. But it is exactly their response, kindness that can fully accompany sense of responsibility and lead to a degradation of artistic standards, writes Zinovy Katsopolsky, chief artistic director of the Young Spectators' Theatre in Leningrad, in an article published in *IZVESTIYA*.

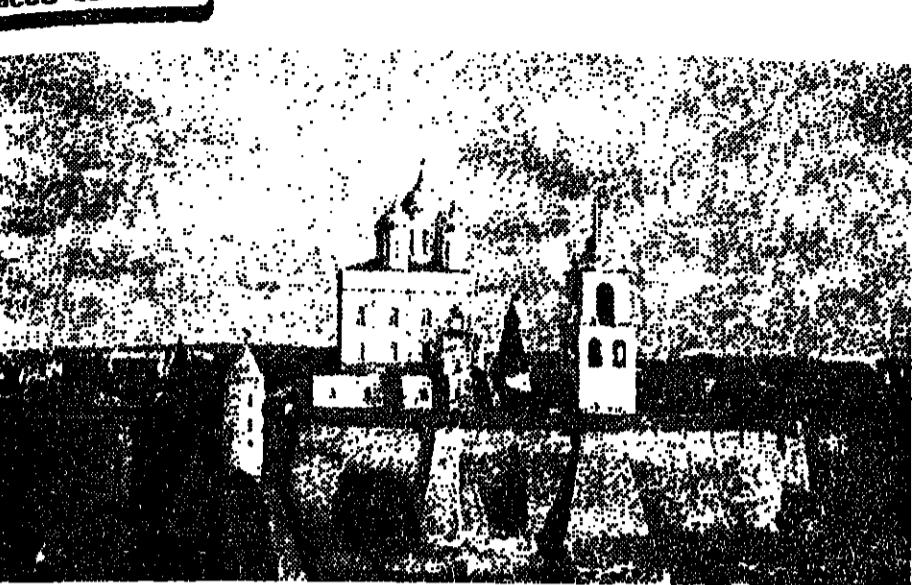
They may lead to well-trodden paths, but stagnation is not the only Number One of artistic endeavour. The "they will not understand" inertia of adults may also prove

fatal.

Try to answer honestly what exactly children "will not understand" and you immediately land in an impossible: Is it the conventions of the stage? Or specific? Indeed, children easily react to all theatrical idioms. Indeed, children easily react to all kinds of conventionalities. It is enough to lead an expressive detail and the imagination of a child will add everything missing. Therefore, it is necessary to become more boldly and cleverly children's ability to become party to creation. It is necessary to arouse their artistic fancy. Theatre cultivates emotions, enriches emotional experience, perfects morals.

Do young audiences need only tales? No one will deny the fact that children have changed greatly. They are seen more and better, they know a great deal, they are capable of understanding a lot of things. Playwright Viktor Rozov is certainly right when he says that "we must forget the theory which says that children are not as clever as adults". This means that the children can teach children to appreciate and think. In this independent conclusion even at early age, only in this case will they naturally get prepared for a more serious and difficult involvement which is in store for them in the theatre for adults.

Places to visit



Ukraine's atomic power generation

Ukraine's atomic power generation is developing at a high rate. The pioneering Chernobyl plant has generated 1000 million kilowatts. The republic's atomic power production is doubled since 1980, due to the commissioning of five new units. Some more will be put into operation before the end of 1985 in the Zaporozhye, Yuzhno-Ukrainskaya and Rovno plants. The atomic energy is cheaper than that produced by conventional thermal stations, the Ukraine plants having saved over 15 million tonnes of coal, the fuel which is becoming more difficult to mine and transport with each passing year.

According to its energy programme, the USSR will stop the development of atomic energy in general during the 1986-1990 five-year plan period.

An air cushion for dams

Air cushions have been designed in Leningrad to protect powerful dams of hydroelectric stations against the shock of the water wave. An original device installed along the left of the dam contains plant No. 3, tree garlands. The air that is pumped into overfilled reservoirs serves as a spring, increasing or diminishing it depending on the water pressure and thus compensating the surface oscillations.

Use of the air cushion reduces dam vibration to zero. It is known that even almost imperceptible water oscillations can cause a powerful destructive force. Besides, the new invention is capable of protecting structures against冥inal waves which arise in large reservoirs situated in seismic zones.

In the USSR with its world's most powerful hydroelectric stations on the Odessa coast, the problem of protecting high dams is of national significance. The introduction of the air cushion also allows to bring down the cost of building materials of the Black Sea basin.

Man-made reefs in Black Sea

Man-made reefs now under construction on the Odessa coast will raise the biological potential in this part of the Black Sea.

Ecologists have prepared a biological model of so-called granite reefs which

will consist of special biological blocks — small cells damping the surf wave and serving as a kind of an incubator for the shelf zone fauna.

Hydrotechnical structures that

used to be built on the sea

coasts often created unfavourable conditions for flora and

fauna. The man-made reefs, while performing their important engineering function, also make up a single harmonious system with natural objects. This makes it possible to maintain ecological balance in the coastal water area.

Brick collection hobby

Leonti Antropov, a Moscow

restorer and architect, has collected about two tonnes of old bricks. His collection had no room in his house, so he had to lend it over to the Museum of Architecture.

What is the use of his hobby? Quite great. Such hobbies often help scientists. About ten years ago experts started voicing doubt about a church in which the great Russian poet Alexander Pushkin wedded. Documents discovered in the archive proved irrefutably that the Church of the Great Ascension at the Nikitskaya Voronina in Moscow (where the wedding ceremony took place) was built by architect Afanasy Grigoryev. In 1848, eleven years after Pushkin's death, scientists sought the help of collectors. Examining the building Antropov paid attention to the stamps on the bricks. The majority dated back to the end of the 17th century. This meant that the church, which had suffered from fire outbreak in 1812, was not built anew by Grigoryev.

Antropov spent many days

in the Convent towers and pro-

ved that from bottom to top

they consisted of identical

bricks and there was no reason

to "correct" their looks.

Sea otters warming up Kamchatka

Sea otter, a most valuable fur animal of the Pacific, nearly extinct by the early 1900s, is restoring its numbers. After the Kuril and Komandorskiy Islands the Kamchatka Peninsula has become their third habitat in the Soviet Far East. About three and a half thousand animals have been registered there.

Restoring the rare animal population has become a matter of national importance. The habitats have areas forbidden to sea vessels and fishing. Several groups of these animals have been settled in their previous habitats where they are fast getting accustomed to

VIEWPOINT

Consumption patterns: yesterday, today and tomorrow

Of course, considering consumption patterns in a foreign country by relating earnings and prices to realities in one's own country, using official exchange rates, is of little use. Fritz Immele, for instance, became convinced of this fact during his recent tour of Moscow.

Fritz Michael Immele and his wife arrived in Moscow from West Germany with a particular aim — to live in this city for two weeks on an average Muscovite's monthly earnings. The sum seemed to be so insignificant in Deutsche marks that Immele strongly doubted that his experiment would be a success. However, his doubts evaporated quickly. In his diary, which he kindly submitted to MNI, he provides a detailed list of all his expenses: eating in restaurants, canteens and cafés; five evenings spent in the theatres, four in concert halls, plus two visits to the cinema; two trips to the country-side and 40 trips using the city transport, etc. To be very accurate in his accounts Immele adds that he didn't abandon his habit of drinking beer regularly and on two occasions he drank champagne — something he allows himself only once a year, on Xmas.

Immele is fully aware that the spending patterns of a foreign tourist and of Muscovite are quite different. The first needn't buy clothes, while the second hardly visits theatres so often. A "cultural programme" like the one Immele had in Moscow would be something impossible back home even for a person with a much higher salary.

The visitor didn't fail to notice our drawbacks: a relatively low quality of certain products, not so many vegetables and fruits on the counter to choose from, and higher (than in West Germany) prices of clothes and mass produced shoes.

However, he is more than convinced that these disadvantages are nothing in comparison with free medical aid (he enjoyed it on two occasions in Moscow), free education, social security, low, near zero unemployment, the availability of resorts, and lack of social costs. Unlike New York where Immele spent some time not so very long ago, the feeling of security and safety never abandoned Immele in Moscow. Immele laid special emphasis on the friendliness and open-heartedness of Muscovites.

The West German tourist's impressions are quite in line with Soviet statistics. Since 1980 wages and salaries in the USSR have gone up by 2.5 times. The cost of free benefits and services per person increased even more — fourfold. Over the same period the index of retail prices has gone up only by eight per cent. Soviet people eat 1.5 times more meat and twice as much eggs and fruit as in 1980. The population increased by only 30 per cent over that period purchased five times more TV sets and also three times more refrigerators in 1983 than in 1980.

If we compare the existing food basket with that recommended by doctors, the so-called rational consumption norms which are essential targets for industry, we immediately find that the picture is not so well balanced: the consumption of meat, milk, vegetables and fruit as well as some other foodstuffs and non-food products continues to be considerably below the above-said norms. However, bread, fish and sugar are consumed on a scale exceeding the norms, though not to the benefit of consumers.

It is believed that a comprehensive programme which is soon to be completed will change things for the better in the field of consumer products and the service industry.

